

The ISPRS Student Consortium Leadership and Service Mentorship Programme

Call for Applications

About the Programme

The International Society of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing Student Consortium (ISPRS SC, the Consortium) represents a constituency of the students and the young professionals with common interests and goals within the ISPRS (the Society) in the areas of photogrammetry, remote sensing and spatial information science. The Consortium shall act as a liaison and provide a communications forum for and between all interested members on issues that are of importance and affect their relationship with the Society. In the organization of the Society, the Consortium directly reports to the ISPRS Council via an Advisory Committee (AC) appointed by the ISPRS Council.

The Society and the Consortium share the same vision of supporting global research, development and application of imaging and geospatial information to improve decision-making, sustain communities, and enhance quality of life around the world.

The main purpose of the Consortium is to link students, young researchers and professionals worldwide, interested in photogrammetry, remote sensing and spatial information science, to promote their scientific and professional developments as well as advocate imaging and geospatial science for informed, scientifically valid, and technologically sound observations of Earth conditions and trends that lead to improved and effective decision-making.

The ISPRS SC is led by the Board of Directors, composed of six officers: The President, Vice President, Newsletter Editor-in-Chief, Website Administrator, Social Media Coordinator and Newsletter Designer. Each is elected for a maximum of four (4) years which end at the subsequent ISPRS Congress, where new officers are elected. Due to the current pandemic, the tenure of the current Board of Directors will end during the XXIV ISPRS Congress 2021 in Nice, France.

The Board of Directors perceives this extension as an opportunity to train and mentor future leaders of the Consortium. The ISPRS Student Consortium Leadership and Service Mentorship Programme primarily aims to train and familiarize qualified individuals with the responsibilities of the position they are interested in and about the activities of the Consortium. In addition, they will be involved and immersed in the actual work done by the current Board of Directors and will be given a set of milestones that must be achieved by the end of the programme. Lastly, this programme aims to provide skills necessary not only on the professional level, but also skills that can contribute to one's personal growth through cooperation and coordination of activities and development of ideas to foster the career advancement and professional progress of the members of the Consortium.

At the end of this programme, individuals who excelled in achieving their milestones and exemplified dedication and enthusiasm in working for the Consortium will be personally nominated by the Board of Directors for the next term.

Important Dates

7 December 2020 – Call for applications

21 December 2020 – Special ISPRS SC Virtual Rooms event: Bring Your Own Sunshine – About the ISPRS SC (hosted and moderated by Sheryl Rose Reyes, President, ISPRS SC)

(The following dates may be adjusted, depending on the applications we receive by this initial deadline)

28 December 2020 – Deadline for applications

4 – 8 January 2021 – Interview for shortlisted applicants (Emails will be sent prior to interview schedule)

16 January 2021 – Start of mentoring and training programme

30 April 2021 – End of mentoring and training programme; Announcement of nominations for ISPRS SC Board of Directors for 2021 – 2024

Eligibility and Requirements

In general, the eligibility for this programme is based on the eligibility for electing the next members of the Board of Directors:

- Duly Accomplished Application Form (Attachment 1)
- Curriculum Vitae (one page)
Your CV must include, but not limited to, the following information:
 - a. Personal Details (full name, address, contact number, email address)
 - b. Professional Experience (include volunteer work, if any)
 - c. Academic Background (start from your college education)
 - d. Key skills and qualifications (highlight abilities which present you as a strong candidate for the position you're applying for)
 - e. Memberships / Affiliations (if any; include dates of active membership)
 - f. Awards and Achievements (if any)
 - g. Interests and hobbies (if any)
- Motivation Letter, including your plans if elected in the Board of Directors (one page)

Send all these documents to sc@isprs.org and copy sc.isprs@gmail.com (CC).

Criteria for Selection

Your answers to the questions in the application will be the primary basis for your selection (70%). Your personal and professional background and the motivation letter will be considered in terms of measuring your potential engagement in the ISPRS SC in terms of commitment and duration (30%).

Applicants who will be shortlisted will qualify for a final interview with the Board of Directors. The interviews will be conducted per position and will be facilitated by about 2-3 members of the current Board of Directors.

Milestones

The mentees will be supervised by the current member of the Board of Directors for the position they are interested in. The milestones will be based on the responsibilities indicated in Attachment 2 and on the actual tasks of the Board of Directors until the next ISPRS Congress. These milestones will be provided prior to the start of the programme. Only upon the fulfillment of the milestones will the mentees qualify for nomination for the next Board of Directors and be awarded a certificate duly signed by the President of the Consortium. This certificate can be used again in the future in case the trainee will be interested to take another chance to be part of the Board of Directors for a different term.

For the grading scale (nomination):

Eligibility / Motivation - 20%

Mentoring (including milestones) - 50%

Final Interview - 30%

Nomination for the ISPRS SC Board of Directors 2021 – 2024

The current ISPRS SC Board of Directors will have a final deliberation and evaluation to determine who will be nominated for the positions for the term 2021 - 2024.

Attachments

- a. Application Form
- b. Responsibilities

APPLICATION FOR THE ISPRS STUDENT CONSORTIUM
MENTORING AND TRAINING PROGRAMME

PART I. PERSONAL INFORMATION	
Date of Application:	Recent Passport Size Photo:
Full Name (Last Name, Given Name):	Contact Information: <i>(Email Address, Telephone/Mobile Number, Mailing Address)</i>
Nationality / Current Country of Residence:	Year of Birth:
Affiliation (University / Institution / Company):	Position / Occupation:
Position of Interest in the Board of Directors and Brief Motivation for Application: <i>(maximum of 100 words)</i>	
Have you been involved in any activities of ISPRS and/or the ISPRS Student Consortium? <i>(maximum of 200 words)</i>	

PART II. QUESTIONS

*(Answers must be limited to a maximum of 100 words each.
If the word count is exceeded, your answers will not be considered)*

1. What do you think are the roles and responsibilities of an international academic/scientific organization?
2. What is your personal definition of volunteer work? How will you manage and demonstrate your personal accountability? How much time can you commit as a member of the ISPRS SC Board of Directors (please provide a realistic answer, e.g. in hours, x times a week/month)
3. What experience do you have working with people of multicultural backgrounds? How will you ensure that you promote inclusion and diversity in the working environment of the Consortium?

4. What strategy will you implement to increase the reach of the Consortium and promote its activities online and offline?

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the all the above information and personal and professional details provided in the attached documents are true and correct.

Signature over Printed Name:

Date Signed:

For the use of the ISPRS SC Board of Directors and Advisory Committee [Do not fill out]

Date Received:

Application No.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ISPRS SC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The responsibilities of mentees will be based on Article V, Administration of the ISPRS SC Statutes (<http://sc.isprs.org/about/isprs-sc/statutes.html>).

Section 1. Responsibilities of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall have control and direction of the affairs of the Consortium and shall determine its policies in accordance with the laws under which the Society is organized and within the provisions of the Statutes of the Consortium. Its powers and responsibilities shall include the following:

- a. To determine the privileges of members;
- b. To make appropriations for specific purposes;
- c. To authorize public statements on behalf of the Consortium;
- d. To foster and oversee relations with related organizations;
- e. To suggest changes to the Statutes of the Consortium to the ISPRS Council;
- f. To report Board actions and activities to the members of the Consortium at least on a yearly basis;
- g. To report Board actions and activities to the ISPRS Council at least on a yearly basis;
- h. To take measures to advance the disciplines and interests of the Consortium and of the profession; and
- i. To fill vacancies on the Board of Directors caused by resignation, death, disability, or flagrant neglect of performance after declaring the office vacant.

Section 2. Responsibilities of the Elective Officers

The President shall have supervision of the affairs of the Consortium, presiding at all Consortium Meetings and meetings of the Board of Directors. The President represents the Consortium in issues concerning the ISPRS Council, providing the primary communication link between the Society and the Consortium.

In addition to the responsibilities stated in Article IV, the Vice President shall assist the President as necessary and shall, in the absence of the President, assume the duties of the President, in succession.

Section 3. Responsibilities of the Website Administrator

The Website Administrator, in cooperation with the Board of Directors, coordinates and maintains the design and content of the Consortium website.

Section 4. Responsibilities of the Social Media Coordinator

The Social Media Coordinator, in cooperation with the Website Administrator, manages all social media platforms, including Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, and Flickr, etc., by distributing the Consortium Newsletter, and any news and announcements relevant to members.

Section 5. Responsibilities of the Newsletter Editor

The Newsletter Editor, in cooperation with the Board of Directors, is responsible for providing the content for the Consortium Newsletter and its timely publication. The responsibilities include seeking contributions from the Consortium members and the Society at large, and by interacting with the ISPRS Journal editors and other media persons.

Section 6. Responsibilities of the Newsletter Designer

The Newsletter Designer, in cooperation with the Newsletter Editor, supports the publishing of the Consortium Newsletter, and is primarily responsible for its graphical design.